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KENTUCKY FARMERS EXPECTING GOOD TO EXCELLENT CROP YIELDS

U.S. HIGHLIGHTS

Corn production was forecast at 11.1 billion bushels, up 1 percent from last month and fractionally above 2005. If realized this would be the second largest production on record.

Corn yields were expected to average 154.7 bushels per acre, up 2.5 bushels from August and 6.8 bushels from last year. If realized this would be the second largest yield on record, behind 2004.

Soybean production was forecast at 3.09 billion bushels, up 6 percent from the August forecast and up slightly from the 2005 crop. If realized this would be the second highest production on record.

Soybean yields were expected to average 41.8 bushels per acre, up 2.2 bushels from August but down 1.5 bushels from last year's record high yield.

Production in the **Burley producing States** totaled 224.6 million pounds, up 3 percent from the August forecast and 10 percent above last year.

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Crop prospects on September 1 remained good to excellent as the State continued to receive rain at needed times. Yields of corn, soybeans and tobacco were all up from the August 1 forecast. Corn harvest was underway and tobacco cutting and housing were in full swing.

Corn production was forecast at 168.7 million bushels, up 1 percent from the August forecast and 8 percent from the 2005 crop. This would be the third largest crop on record. The largest crop was 173.3 million bushels in 2004. Yield

per acre was forecast at 152 bushels per acre, up 2 bushels from the August forecast and tying the record high yield of 152 set in 2004. Harvested acreage at 1.11 million acres was down 70,000 acres from a year earlier. Soil moisture conditions and temperatures this summer have been favorable for corn production.

Soybean production was forecast at 63.5 million bushels, up 2 percent from the August estimate and 18 percent from the 2005 crop. This would be the largest soybean crop on record. The previous high was 57.2 million bushels in 2004. Yield was estimated at a record high 46 bushels per acre, up 1 bushel from August. Harvested acreage was forecast at 1.38 million acres, up 130,000 acres from the previous year. Growing conditions have been ideal for soybeans this year with moisture received at just the right times.

Burley tobacco production as of September 1 was forecast at 160.6 million pounds, an increase of 5 percent from the August forecast and 12 percent larger than the 2005 crop. This is the second year following the tobacco buyout of October 2004 when many burley producers quit raising tobacco. Burley yield at 2,200 pounds per acre increased 100 pounds from August to September. Harvested acreage at 73,000 acres was up 3,000 from the 2005 crop. Moisture conditions have been favorable for tobacco. A few acres have been damaged by flooding, wind damage and hail but most producers expect an excellent crop. Blue mold and black shank are present but not a serious problem at in most areas.

Starting in 2005 dark tobacco types were combined into dark fire and dark air. **Dark fire-cured** was estimated at 19.1 million pounds, up 3 percent from August while down 6 percent from the 2005 crop. **Dark air-cured** tobacco was estimated at 14.6 million pounds, up 7 percent from August 1 and 41 percent from a year earlier.

CROP PRODUCTION

CROP SUMMARY, SEPTEMBER 1 KENTUCKY AND UNITED STATES, 2005 – 2006

CROPS	UNIT	ACREAGE HARVESTED		YIELD PER ACRE		PRODUCTION		
		2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	
			Indicated		Indicated		Indicated	% of '05
		(Thousand)				(Thousand)		
KENTUCKY								
Corn for Grain	Bu.	1,180	1,110	132.0	152.0	155,760	168,720	108
Soybeans for Beans	Bu.	1,250	1,380	43.0	46.0	53,750	63,480	118
Tobacco:								
All	Lbs.	79.70	83.00	2,186	2,340	174,260	194,250	111
Burley	Lbs.	70.00	73.00	2,050	2,200	143,500	160,600	112
Dark Fire-Cured	Lbs.	6.00	5.30	3,400	3,600	20,400	19,080	94
Dark Air-Cured	Lbs.	3.70	4.70	2,800	3,100	10,360	14,570	141
All Wheat 1/	Bu.	300	310	68.0	70.0	20,400	21,700	106
UNITED STATES								
Corn for Grain	Bu.	75,107	71,841	147.9	154.7	11,112,072	11,113,766	100
Soybeans for Beans	Bu.	71,361	73,935	43.3	41.8	3,086,432	3,092,970	100
Sorghum for Grain	Bu.	5,736	5,317	68.7	57.3	393,893	304,635	77
Tobacco:								
All	Lbs.	298.08	334.15	2,171	2,224	647,278	743,098	115
Burley	Lbs.	100.15	103.70	2,031	2,166	203,383	224,580	110
Dark Fire-Cured	Lbs.	11.84	11.25	3,178	3,303	37,631	37,158	99
Dark Air-Cured	Lbs.	4.15	5.10	2,778	3,076	11,530	15,690	136
All Wheat 1/	Bu.	50,119	47,084	42.0	38.3	2,104,690	1,801,355	86

1/Estimates for current year carried forward from earlier forecast.

KENTUCKY COTTAGE CHEESE PRODUCTION 2003 - 2005 ^{1/}

PRODUCT	2003	2004	2005
(000) Pounds			
Cottage Cheese Curd	13,048	11,751	13,455
Creamed Cottage Cheese	14,589	12,410	14,294
Lowfat Cottage Cheese	8,776	9,023	10,911

1/Data on other types of dairy products not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

U.S. DAIRY PRODUCTS, JULY 2006

PRODUCT	July 2005	June 2006 ^{1/}	July 2006	Percent of July 2005 June 2006	
(000) Pounds				Percent	
BUTTER	95,929	100,779	92,725	97	92
CHEESE					
American Types ^{2/}	315,977	337,024	328,578	104	97
Mozzarella	243,304	261,675	254,881	105	97
All Other Types ^{3/}	180,191	195,238	184,490	102	94
Total	739,472	793,937	767,949	104	97
(000) Gallons				Percent	
FROZEN PRODUCTS					
Ice Cream (Hard)	87,054	87,898	85,446	98	97
Frozen Yogurt (Total)	5,867	6,882	6,262	107	91
MIX FOR FROZEN PRODUCTS					
Ice Cream Mix	49,254	49,505	48,852	99	99
Yogurt Mix	3,582	4,171	3,795	106	91

1/Revised. 2/Includes Cheddar, Colby, Monterey, and Jack. 3/Includes Swiss, cream and all other types. Excludes cottage cheese.

KENTUCKY CASH RECEIPTS FROM FARM MARKETINGS, 2003 – 2005

COMMODITY	2003 <u>1/</u>	2004 <u>1/</u>	2005	2005 % of Total	2005 % of 2004
	(\$1,000)	(\$1,000)	(\$1,000)		
<u>LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS 2/</u>	2,233,190	2,738,584	2,701,116	68.0	99
Cattle & Calves	543,872	620,650	561,348	14.1	90
Dairy Products	192,022	236,640	217,566	5.5	92
Hogs	66,700	104,513	87,741	2.2	84
Sheep & Lambs	1,811	1,609	2,064	0.1	128
Wool	28	42	60	--	143
Broilers	506,566	690,932	704,297	17.7	102
Eggs	83,153	88,099	72,568	1.8	82
Other Poultry	31,191	37,581	36,932	0.9	98
Horses & Mules <u>3/</u>	800,000	950,000	1,010,000	25.4	106
Honey	401	549	530	--	97
Catfish	1,381	1,151	887	--	77
Other Livestock Products <u>4/</u>	6,065	6,820	7,125	.2	104
<u>CROPS 2/ 5/</u>	1,233,428	1,386,674	1,270,242	32.0	92
Tobacco	431,177	421,694	342,540	8.6	81
Corn	282,688	338,629	336,060	8.5	99
Soybeans	264,710	347,369	319,940	8.1	92
Wheat	67,323	73,361	66,005	1.7	90
Barley	1,379	1,156	1,258	--	109
Hay	75,392	90,296	92,033	2.3	102
Sorghum Grain	5,357	3,584	3,028	0.1	84
Vegetables	17,000	18,000	19,000	0.5	106
Apples	1,721	2,439	2,162	0.1	89
Peaches	1,003	968	650	--	67
Other Fruits, Nuts & Berries	3,171	3,263	3,496	0.1	107
Floriculture	34,529	40,005	43,679	1.1	109
Greenhouse, Nursery, Sod & Christmas Trees	40,780	41,011	35,670	0.9	87
Other Crops <u>6/</u>	7,197	4,899	4,720	0.1	96
<u>ALL COMMODITIES 2/</u>	3,466,617	4,125,258	3,971,358	100.0	96

Indicates less than .05%. Percent may not be accurate to .1 because of method of machine computation. 1/Revised. 2/May not add due to rounding. 3/Includes stud fees. 4/Includes goats, rabbits, bison and all other livestock. 5/Forest products not included in farm cash receipts, but are included in net farm income. 6/Includes popcorn, sunflowers, other seeds, other field crops and mushrooms.

CASH RECEIPTS HIGHLIGHTS – 2005

Woodford, Fayette, Graves, Bourbon, Webster and Hickman counties had cash receipts above \$100 million during 2005. Sales of horses and stud fees accounted for most of the cash receipts for Woodford, Fayette and Bourbon while poultry was the largest source of cash receipts in Graves, Webster and Hickman counties. Sixteen additional Kentucky counties had cash receipts above \$50 million for 2005.

Horse sales, including stud fees, continued to be the cash receipt's leader for Kentucky with \$1.01 billion. Receipts were up \$60.0 million from the 2004 level. All poultry continued second with \$813.8 million in receipts, down less than 1 percent from 2004. Broiler receipts totaled \$704.3 million. Cattle and calves' sales were third with \$561.3 million. Tobacco was fourth with \$342.5 million.

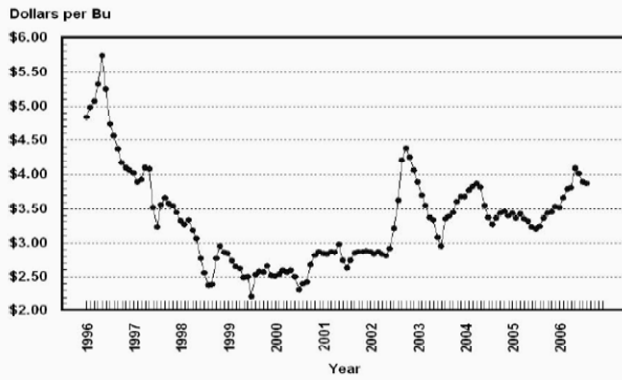
Livestock made up 68 percent of total cash receipts for 2005. Sales of horses and stud fees were 37 percent of livestock and livestock products receipts during 2005. All poultry made up 30 percent of the livestock receipts with cattle and calves accounting for 21 percent of the livestock total.

Crops made up 32 percent of Kentucky's total cash receipts for 2005. Tobacco sales accounted for 27 percent of total crop receipts with corn making up 26 percent and soybeans 25 percent.

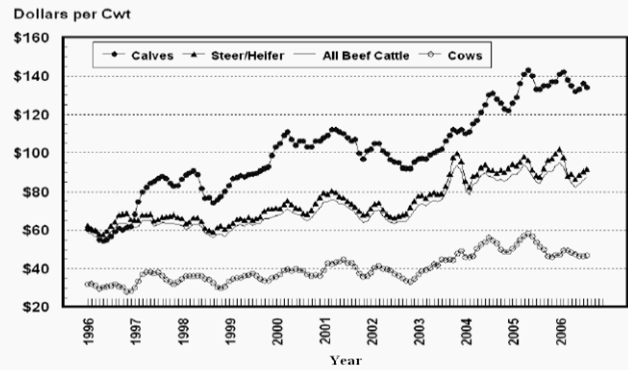
Top Cash Receipt Counties by Commodity - 2005

Horses	- Woodford	Tobacco	- Christian
Broilers	- Graves	Corn	- Union
Cattle	- Barren	Soybeans	- Henderson
Dairy	- Barren	All Hay	- Pulaski
		Wheat	- Christian

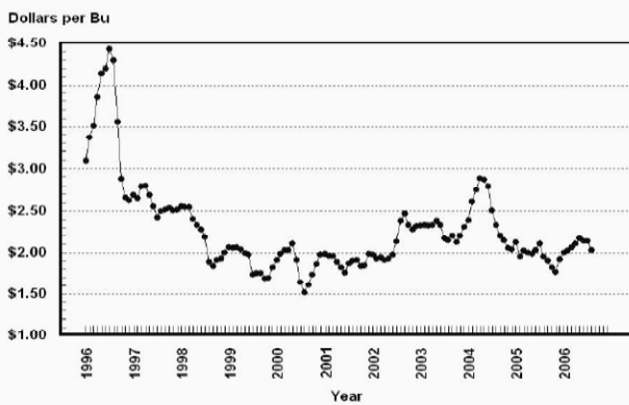
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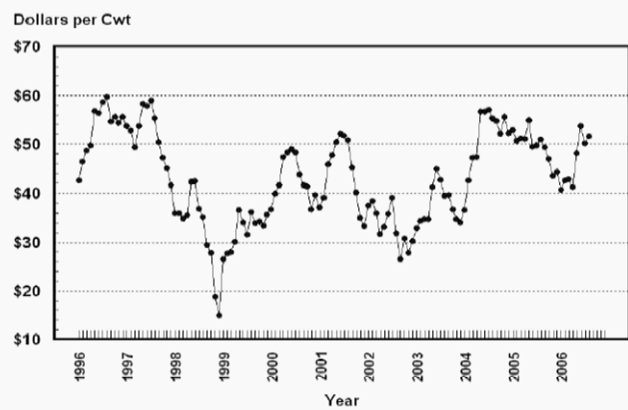
Prices Received, Cattle, US



Prices Received, Corn, US



Prices Received, Hogs, US



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